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Hoisting Machine Operators Advisory Board Minutes

Wednesday, August 30, 2017

8:30 a.m. HT

830 Punchbowl Street, Room 114
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Board Members Present: Tristan Aldeguer, Richard Lentes III, and John Mihlbauer Jr.

Excused: Angela Chinen and Allen Miho

Staff: Executive Assistant Mel Chang, William Kunstman, and Aadel Khandaker (for Leonard Hoshijo)

Guests: Doc Bailey

1. Call to Order: A quorum was present and the meeting was called to order by chair Tristan Aldeguer at 8:40 a.m.
2. Approval of Minutes from 9 August 2017. Mihlbauer moved and Lentes seconded to approve minutes as circulated. Motion carried unanimously.
3. DLIR Director's Office –William Kunstman presented a draft of the Board's proposed changes to HRS 396-19 and HRS 396-20. HRS 396-19 (a) would be amended by striking the words “and without reimbursement for expenses.” HRS 396-20 (b) would be amended by adding a new section 6: “Expenses to support the board's program activities relating to the training of hoisting machine operators' certification and training.” The draft language was developed in an 8/23/17 meeting with William Kunstman, Mel Chang, and AG Francis Lum.
4. HIOSH Safety Branch Manager Allen Miho – Miho was unable to attend the meeting but stated in an email that there were no new incidents involving cranes to report.
5. Executive Assistant Mel Chang Report
 - a. Certifications and applications report – Chang reported 6 applications were processed in August since the August 9 meeting. One application is still pending.
 - b. Fund Status–Chang reported that the latest HMOAB Special Funds Report of June 2017 shows the year to date fund status is \$11,877.81 in the red, primarily due to \$11,621.74 in unemployment benefits paid out for a former employee. The unemployment liability has ended.

6. Old Business:

- a. Proposed legislative changes—Mihlbauer moved and Lentes seconded to approve the Legislative changes presented by William Kunstman. The motion carried unanimously.
- b. Proposed changes to administrative rules—the Board discussed changing the rules to cover general industry. Lentes pointed out the need to cover general industry because of the number of crane accidents involving mobile cranes. Mihlbauer suggested there is also concern for the safety of the public as some of these crane activities take place in Waikiki or near roads which put the public at risk. Lentes will seek to obtain the 2008 CAL-OSHA study which showed a sharp decline of crane-related fatalities and injuries in California after requiring mobile and tower crane operators to be certified after June 1, 2005. California would be a good model for language that covers general industry.
 - 1) The Board decided to defer changing the rules to cover rigging and signalpersons.
 - 2) The Board decided to hold a working meeting on October 11, 2017 to finalize their proposed changes to the HMOAB administrative rules. Chang will ask HIOSH to send appropriate people to this meeting.
- c. Review approved Certification Bodies – Chang reported that all four certification bodies on our application form have responded. The four bodies will continue to be listed as acceptable accreditation bodies on the HMOAB application form.
 - 1) NCCCO is certified with the American National Standards Institute (ANSI).
 - 2) CIC is certified with the National Commission for Certifying Agencies (NCCA).
 - 3) NCCER is certified by ANSI.
 - 4) OECP is certified with NCCA.
- d. Board vacancy – Aldeguer repeated the Board’s decision to wait until the next regular session of the Legislature to fill the vacancy.
- e. Virtual Realty Crane training – the Board will continue to look into the possibility of obtaining VR equipment to further the training of crane operators. At this time there were concerns about whether HMOAB rules would allow the purchase of the equipment, the high cost of the equipment and annual fees, and the anticipated use of the equipment.
- f. Draft of Board’s Annual Report—Chang presented a draft of the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 HMOAB Annual Report. Lentes moved and Mihlbauer seconded to approve the Annual Report.

7. New Business: None

8. Community Comments – Bailey, who has crane operations in a number of states, said Hawaii has a unique mix of crane activities due to the environment and economy.

9. Next Board Meeting: **Wednesday, October 11, 2017 @1:30 pm**, HMOAB Room 114

10. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 9:48 a.m.

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